Aerodrome at Trivandrum.

43. **MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR** (*Pattanapuram* cum *Shencotta*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether they propose to provide a landing-place or aerodrome at Trivandrum, for aeroplanes?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The question of providing a landing ground for aeroplanes in Trivandrum is under consideration.

44. **MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR** (*Pattanapuram* cum *Shencotta*): Have the Government pitched upon any particular site for an aerodrome in Trivandrum?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): No; final decision has not been arrived at.

Knowledge of motor mechanism required on the part of drivers and conductors of motor vehicles.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the extent and nature of the knowledge, if any, of motor mechanism, required on the part of drivers and conductors of motor vehicles to entitle them to get the necessary licenses; and

(*b*) whether they are aware of any publication, in Malayalam, containing the necessary information?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) (1) Starting the engine with the handle.

(2) Steering.
(3) Engagement of gears (*a*) up, and (*b*) down.
(4) Driving up hills.
(5) Driving down hills.
(6) Starting in the middle of an ascent.
(7) Starting in the middle of a descent.
(8) Turning corners.
(9) Driving backwards.
(10) Turning vehicle in a limited space.
(11) Observance of general and special speed limits.
(12) Knowledge about the working of the engine and chassis.

Conductors are not required to possess any mechanical knowledge.

(*b*) No.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): How do the drivers get the requisite knowledge of motor mechanism?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): They get trained under some mechanic.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Do they get any knowledge from books?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Partly.

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